

ESSENTIAL FORMALITIES RE-
QUIRED IN DIFFERENT PRO-
VINCES BEFORE HOLD-
ING AN INQUEST.

Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

In the provinces of Quebec and Ontario, no inquest may be held on the body of any deceased person unless the coroner shall, prior to the issuing of his warrant for summoning the jury, have made a sworn declaration, in writing, stating, in a concise form, the information he has received and which leads him to believe that the deceased did not die from natural causes, but that he died from violence, or unfair means, or some culpable act on the part of other persons, and under circumstances as require investigation.

Should that sworn declaration be omitted, the disbursements and the fees claimed by the coroner would not be paid.